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SWEDEN IS ONLY TOOL OF BERLIN

MEXICO MIXED IN SCANDAL TO BETRAY THE UNITED STATES THROUGH SWEDEN.

MEXICO APPARENTLY FOOLED

my to Decerate Norse Minister Cactus Republic if He Gives Information Without Exciting Suspicion.

Washington.-Another count in the indictment against anti-neutral Sweden has been filed in the court of world opinion by the American state department. It is backed by evidence showing collusion between Swedish and German diplomatic officers to transmit military news from Mexico to Berlin through the medium and under the cover of the Swedish diplomatic code.

It is confidently expected here that the Carranza government of Mexico, now looking to the United States for a substantial loan to tide it over its financial difficulties, will take measures such as those taken and under consideration by Argentina, which will unmistakably record its resentment of the Swedish-German violation of its hospitality and diplomatic privilege.

The state department's disclosure. made public, consists of the text of the translation of a letter written in March, 1916, by Admiral von Eckhardt, the German minister to Mexico to Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg, the then German chancellor. The letter recommended that the crown order of the second class be bestowed by Emperor William on Folks Cronholm, the Swedish charge d'affaires in Mextico City, for having alded in the transmission of military news to the German government.

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"He is the only diplomat through whom information from a hostile camp can be obtained," wrote the German minister to the imperial chancellor in giving his reasons why Germany should show its gratitude of Herr Cronholm's services.

The most serious portion of the con-Tidential letter which Minister von Eckhardt wrote to the chancellor directly concerns the Swedish government. The German minister in Mexico City suggested that, as secrecy was necessary until the end of the war, "in order not to excite the enemy's suspicion," it would be well to tell no one of the conferring of the decoration, except the Swedish recipient of the honor and the Swedish government.

This reference was interpreted here as indicating that the Swedish government was in on the deal by which the result of spy work in behalf of Ger many was to be made known to the German authorities in Berlin through the Swedish foreign office at Stockbolm. There is no apparent fear in Minister Eckhardt's letter that the Swedish government would object to the kalser decorating its charge in Mexico for unneutral services to Ger

U-BOAT LOSSES LOW RECORD

Twelve Vessels of More Than 1,600 Tons Sunk by Submarines-France Loses Six Vessels.

London .- A marked decrease in the destruction of British merchant vessels by submarines is indicated in the weekly admiralty statement issued. Twelve vessels of more than 1,600 tons and six of less than 1,600 tons were sent to the bottom, as compared with 20 in the large and three in the small category sunk the previous week. Four fishing vessels also were lost. The arrivals at British ports were 2,744 and sailings 2,868.

The statement shows the smallest number of large vessels sunk since Germany began her intensified submarine campaign.

FOOD EXPORTS SHOW GAINS

Washington.-The value of breadstuffs, meat and dairy products, cotton and cottonseed and mineral oils exported in the seven months ending in July aggregated \$1,007,065,190, as compared with \$783,981,011 for the same period last year. The gross increase was nearly \$225,000,000. Breadatuffs advanced from \$251,715,860 to \$373,595,592; meat and dairy products from \$157,542,568 to \$235,868,319 and mineral oils from \$112,024,818 to \$133, 620,120.

Child Drowns in Stock Trough. Crockett, Tex .- Ora Dell, the 7-yearold daughter of Curtis Arnold, a farmer near here, was drowned in a stock watering tank.

Cipriano Castro in America, An Atlantic Port.-Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela, arrived here on a Spanish steamship from a Mexican port. He declined to discuss the purpose of his visit to this

Socialist Conference Abandoned. Geneva.—The Swiss Socialists have been informed that, owing to violation of neutrality by Sweden, the much ference at Stockholm as been definitely abandoned, even

Edits Patriotic Book Chicago.—To edit a "patriotic man-ual" that will be placed in the hands of every school teacher in the United States, Mrs. Ella Flagg Young has some to Washington at the request of Secretary McAdoo.

sten, D. C .- More than 1,000 toe army exemption appealing a president, the final judge of cases, on the ground that the series indispensable to a war un now on file.

LANSING SISTERS GOING TO FRANCE



The Misses Emma and Katherine Lansing, the sisters of Secretary of State Robert Lansing, will serve in France as canteen aids in providing the many small luxuries the soldiers call for. They will go to Europe with a Red

ERED ON LIST.

tion to Prevent Food Shipments

From Reaching Germany.

reaching Germany from South Amer

ica through the European countries,

the United States and Great Britain

are preparing to supply the strictest

embargo on coal exports to the Latin-

tries, although they have broken off

food exports to the European neu-

of Any Kind Whatsoever on

War Work.

ing open or closed upon shop condi-

Secretary Baker, in announcing this,

said no place or date had been set

national industrial conference board

It Takes Them a Year to

Go 25 Miles.

ling Emanuel of Saskatoon, who for

the last three years has been trying

to reach the so-called blonde Eskimos

sionaries comprising the party were

Postmaster Sent to Prison.

postmaster at Ten Mile, pleaded

guilty to charge of violation of the

dissuade young men from enlisting.

Woman Killed by Runaway Horse.

Second Death in Camp Mills.

Bloodsworth, G company, 167th Ala-

bama infantry, died of pneumonia in

the field-tospital at Camp Mills. This

is the second death since the "rain-

Washerwomen Form Union.

Chicago,-High prices for necessi-

bow division" began to assemble,

Mincola, N. Y .- Private William

Havana, Ill .-- Mrs. Robert Eaton, 74,

Portland, Ore.-George W. France

experienced.

was killed.

The little boat in which three mis-

tions.

South America.

about \$50,000,000.

RIOTING IN BUENOS AIRES EMBARGO ON COAL EXPORTS

GERMAN STORES LOOTED AND LATIN AMERICA BEING CONSID-HOUSES WRECKED.

Police Wound Seven Rioters and Place Teutonic Legations Under Heavy Guard.

Buenos Aires.-The rioting which began here in an anti-German demonstration, following the handing of pass ports to the German minister. Count Luxburg, continued throughout the night. Every German business house and restaurant in the downtown district was wrecked. The German club and several other buildings were dam- coal embargo and bunkering restricaged seriously by fire. The police wounded seven rioters seriously when they fired into the crowd. Three of the injured are expected to die.

At first the crowds were so unmanageable that the police closed all the streets leading to the German legation and consulate. The archives in these buildings were taken to storage trais. vaults for safe keeping. Firemen, armed with rifles, prevented the mob from destroying the offices of the German Transatlantic Co., which supplies the city light. Heavy forces of provincial troops are guarding the railway over which the German minister

will arrive from the Andes. The cabinet approved the action of President Irisoyen in presenting pass- This produces an annual profit of ports to Count Luxburg. It is said to have considered similar action in the case of Baron Lowan, the Swedish minister, but no action will be taken pending the receipt of further details from Washington or Stockholm.

MOONEY DENIED NEW TRIAL PLANNING TO AVERT STRIKES the baby.

Frank Oxman, Charged With Perjury Labor Leaders Would Prevent Delay in Same Connection, Will Tried Soon

San Francisco.-Thomas J. Mooney, under sentence of death for murder growing out of a bomb explosion here al defense has determined to call a fast year, which killed 10 persons, was conference of labor leaders to considdenied a new trial by the state supreme court. The denial was based ers for compulsory arbitration of laon the consent of State Attorney-General U. S. Webb for reversal of judgment and not on the record in the lockouts and maintenance of prevailcase.

In its decision the court held that it had no power under the constitution to consider matters outside the record in the case and that "authorities declare such application should be made to the executive rather than the judicial arm of the state government."

The attorney-general's consent to a pledged its adherence to such an new trial for Mooney followed the ex- agreement. pose of Frank C. Oxman's alleged attempt to suborn perjury in the case. Webb at that time declared Mooney was entitled to a new trial "in the interest of justice."

Oxman, who was a material witness against Mooney, will be brought to trial soon.

Garfield Urges Coal Saving.

Washington .- Through the Chamber of Commerce of the United States Dr. H. A. Garfield, fuel administra tor, has appealed to American busi ness to assist in the conservation of

Military Drill in Chicago Schools. Chicago.-Drill in most of the pub lic schools of Chicago was begun under direction of Lieut. Denny of Wabash college and a staff of seven from an Indiana military academy. Artillery in France.

American Training Camp, in France, -A large contingent of American artillery has joined the expeditionary army and is well along with its in tensive training under French supervisory instruction.

Man-Eating Shark Captured. Vrisfield, Md.—A man-eating shark of the batchet-fin type was captured here and killed by Capt. Fletcher Thomas in Tangler Sound fish nets. The shark was 8% feet long, with hree rows of teeth.

Supposed Artist Kills Herself. San Francisco.—After destroying all evidence as to her identity, a beautiful young woman, who registered at a hotel two weeks ago under the name of Miss E. Woods, ended her life.

Woman Convicted of Killing-St. Johnsbury, Vt .-- While Mrs. Sarah Kenniston awaited sentence to imprisonment for the killing of ties of life have forced the organisalittle Alice Bradshaw, a crippled child, tion of Chicago washwomen, it was state officers were busy on the case announced here. The first demand of Mrs .Etta May Hicks, who also is of the new union will be \$2.60 per day to be tried for murder. instead of \$2.10.

U. S. ENTRANCE AND SUCCESS IN WAR HAS HALTED SUB. MARINES.

Trebling Number of Warships and the Fact that No Convoyed Ship Has Been Destroyed, Dieheartens Kaiger.

Washington.-A series of important conferences are going here and in London and Paris to find a method of combating the latest development of the German submarino warfare-"attacks in force."

Secretary of the Navy Daniels said long dispatches had been received from Admiral Sims, commander of the fleet in Europe of discussions of policy with the allied naval commanders.

The attacks in force, recently resorted to by the Germans are in reality a defensive measure on her part -a desperate effort to keep the submarine campaign alive. So successfully have the allied nations, especially America, combatted the submarine that the kalser's oficers have been forced to change their tactics from waylaying and attacking individual ships to actions by fleets of U-boats. More important, they have been compelled to accept a situation where the sacrifice of one or two submarines United States and England Plan Ac. has been made in order to sink one or two merchantmen.

The reason for the acceptance of Washington-If it becomes necesthese conditions are practically as sary to prevent food shipments from follows:

1. Practically 100 per cent of the heavily armed with guns manned by expert naval gunners. 2. Increase in the number of arm-

American republics, Operations of a ed British vessels and increased effienecy of the crews.
3. Introduction of an airtight systions, it is declared, would stop immediately all food shipments from Some of the Latin-American coun-

relations with Germany, are said to gun. have made no efforts to check their According to the very best information obtainable from all sources not a single vessel of any kind has been Another phase of the situation is sunk when it was convoyed by the developed by reports that much of the American warships.

German money spent for propaganda purposes in North and South America

is furnished by German-owned public utilities concerns in South Amer-Nashville (Tenn.) Couple Confess ican cities. More than haif a billion Murder When Charred Bones dollars of German money is said to Are Exhibited. be invested in such public utilities.

Nashville, Tenn.-Finding their in fant at birth club-footed and de-By cutting off coal to these conformed, Lonnie Wilson and his wife cerns, it is declared, the South Amerbled the baby to death and then ican governments would be forced to take over the enterprises for operaby the parents here, where they are

The infant was born last May. The feared it would be deformed. When the baby was laid in her arms her footed and the lower limbs were twist-Washington .- The council of nationed. After a day of two the parents decided to put the child to death, A vein was opened. After it had bled er a general agreement with employuntil life appeared extinct they pricked it with a pin. bor disputes directly concerning war

The little form ceased to move. production, prevention of strikes and Then they put it in the grate and built a fire over it. Neighbors later discovered charred fragments of the body. They were exhibited in evidence when the parents confessed.

The conference was proposed by the HIGH WAGE FOR STEEL MEN

an organization representing 50,000 Some Skilled Workers at Youngsmanufacturers, which already has town, O., Are Making \$15 Daily-Pay Based on Price of Steel.

Youngstown, O .- Several rollers in HUNT FOR BLONDE ESKIMOS steel mills here are carning as much as \$800 a month, or at a rate of approximately \$10,000 a year, as a result Missionaries' Boat Is Blown Up and of increases granted in a recent agreenent with Amalgamated Association Workers, according to managers of the plants. Heaters, roughers and oth-Regina, Sask .- Rudolph Manderson, er skilled workers are able to make chief of the southern party of the \$12 to \$15 daily. Stefansson Arctic expedition, has received a letter from the Rev. H. Gir-

the selling price of steel. This has almost doubled the wages given for some classes of work, manufacturers 88Y.

traveling was blown up by an explo-High Hog Prices Explained. sion last spring and they lost the Washington. -- One of the reasons greater part of their supplies. In a for the high cost of pork is seen in year's time the party had succeeded estimates of the number of hogs now in traveling only 25 miles along the in the United States, which shows coast, so great were the difficulties decrease in the last year of 8.2 per

Mrs. Dewcy Honored. Washington .- Mrs. George Dewey, wife of the late admiral, has accepted the position of chairman of the comexplonage act and was sentenced to forts committee of the Navy League 14 months' imprisonment at McNeil's of the United States in response to island penitentiary. He attempted to a popular demand.

Fired on Sinking Crews. London.-Statements from the survivors of two U-boat attacks are on and Mrs. John High and daughter file with the British admiralty, and Ethel were run over by a runaway both show the crews of the subma horse at Springfield, Ill. Mrs. Eaton rines fired on the crews that had tak-

en to the life bats.

700 Officers Get Assignments-Leavenworth, Kan .- The 700 provisional lieutenants under instruction at the fort here have been assigned to regiments. Only a few of the 700 have been placed with regiments now on duty in France.

Navy Wants Only Skilled Men. Washington. - Except for skilled mechanics no more recruits will be accepted for the navy for the next three months. The personnel is now well above the 200,000 mark, said Secretary Daniels.

TO CHANGE PLANS FROM STATE BODY

TRAFFIC IN STATE COAL GETS HIGH OFFICIAL IN MUCH TROUBLE.

NO MORE ATTACKS IN FORCE RATCLIFF IS HIS SUCCESSOR

Move to Dismiss Recalcitrant Officer Is Unanimous-Bills Paid to Him, but He Did Not Pay State, It is Alleged.

Jefferson City, Mo.

The state board on permanent seat of government elected Louis Rateliff of Moberly commissioner of perma nent seat of government to succeed John W. Scott, removed because of re ported traffic by him in state coal.

Gov. Gardner has instructed Attor ney-General McAllister to assist L. Sevier, prosecuting attorney of Cole county, in the investigation. In a statement Gov. Gardner inti-

mates that he will not permit any state employe to traffic in any mer chandise purchased by the state. He said the line could not be too sharply drawn between the rights of the stat. and the rights of individuals. Scott was dismissed by the state of-

ficials constituting the board in charge of the state capitol. The motion to dismiss Scott was made by Attorney-General McAllister and seconded by State Auditor Hackmann. Every mem ber voted in the affirmative. This action was the outcome of

printed stories to the effect that Scott had been permitting certain officials and private citizens to get coal from the state at the contract price which the state was paying.

Last June, after the state heating American merchant vesels have been plant had closed down, Scott allowed ex State Auditor John P. Gordon a car of coal that was billed to him as commissioner of the permanent seat of government and which was certified to the auditor by Scott and paid for by the state. This car, containing tem of convoying vessels through the some 40 tons, cost the state \$116. The war zone to British and French ports. ex-auditor says he paid for every 4. A trebling of the number of the pound of this coal, or rather that the American warships since the war be- bill was paid by his son, Morris Gordon, state superintendent of the build ing and loan associations.

Flying Corps Needs.

I. B. Dunlap of Kansas City, member of the state council of defense, who is in charge of aviation recruits, has BLEEDS THEIR CHILD TO DEATH sent a communication to Secretary Saunders of the state council, in which he desires to correct a statement to the effect that the enlistments for first lieutenant commissions have closed. Enlistments are open, he says, for 8,000 flyers and 100,000 members of the reserve corps, and applications can be made to him in Kansas City for any of burned the body in the fireplace of these places. The enlistments are their home. This confession was made open from lieutenant down for men between 19 and 30 years of age. The on trial, charged with the murder of pay ranges from \$30 to \$60 a month. This includes the aeroplane and balloon sections. Enlistments of men folmother, before the birth of the child, lowing these vocations are desired:

Blacksmiths, cabinet makers, chauffeurs, clerks, draftsmen, sailmaker worst fears were realized. It was club. radio men, metal workers, toolmak ers, instrument repair men, photographers, painters, plumbers and brick-

Judge's Son Sued for Divorce. Mrs. Bernice Woodson has filed a suit for divorce from Arch Woodson, son of Judge A. M. Woodson of the Missouri supreme court, whom she married Nov. 21, 1912. She asked for custody of two children and \$50 a month alimony.

Woodson has been employed as su preme court stenographer and his salary in that capacity was \$1,500 a year. Mrs. Woodson alleged he made her married life intolerable.

Pledge of "Disloyal."

Definite steps are being taken to suppress any disloyalty in any form in Missouri by the Missouri Council of Defense.

A complete plan of action has been formulated by the U. S. Secret service in conjunction with the proper state officiala

It has been said that the discovery of certain documents which contained the pledge which the peace advocates The new wage scale is based on urge, on analysis is found to be very much after the kaiser's manner of speaking, and it is also alleged that the secret papers were prepared in the "fatherland."

> Full Value Favored. Chairman Cornelius Roach of the state tax commission said at a public hearing that St. Louis property ought to be assessed at \$2,000,000,000, instead of \$650,000,000, and that some

counties in the state assess realty as low as 5 per cent of its actual value. in cash on hand. Two Pardoned by Gardner. On recommendation of the state prison board, Gov. Gardner grantedpardons to two men who served terms in the state's prison, restoring all civil rights to them. Fred R. Porth was discharged under parole in Janu-

Peter Rank was sent to the penitentiary from St. Louis under sentence of five years for highway robbery and was discharged under the three-fourths rule Dec. 3, 1905.

ary, 1916. He was serving a four-

year sentence for grand larceny in

Will Reimbures Boards.

Members of district registration draft boards in St. Louis will be reimbursed for headquarters rent and salary which they have paid out of their own pockets just as soon as year as follows:

Adjt. Gen. McCord can audit and cash President, A. D the vouchers, he stated. He is busy working on these vouchers now. About \$8,000 has been paid out in St.

There is much "red tape" to cashing of the warrants, many of them being sent back by the war department when not properly made

Capital Turned Over. The new state capitol was finally turned over to the state on exactly the terms offered by the commissioners to the contractors several weeks ago. The terms are that the state shall hold up \$25,000 for the time being and un-til the building has been completed in

its entirety and be given possession at once. There are other considerations. The state will not release the contractors from their bond for \$1,300,000 for one year from date and until it is definitely established that the work of the contractors is satisfactory in all de-

tails. This will afford time to develop

any defects in the building. The contractors will be paid in full for their work up to date that has been approved, amounting to \$314,000. The state withholds the right to finpose a penalty of \$250 a day for every day since July 1, 1916, that the building was not turned over to the state, completed in its entirety. As quickly as possible the state offices will be moved into the new building.

Board to Pick Warden.

The new warden of the penitentiary will be selected by the state prison board. There is a provision in the new penal code that provides for this, and the appointment will not be made by Governor Gardner. The governor admitted that he had

received the resignation of Warden Painter. The governor last month took up the matter with Attorney General Mc-Allister, and was advised that while it would not be illegal for the chairman of the prison board to act as

warden, it would not be in accordance with the spirit of the law for him to occupy the residence provided by the state, with the emoluments and perquisites that apportain thereto. The sole object of the performance of the dual functions by Painter was

the effort to save the state \$3,000 a year in salary. There is not much left to the office of warden under the new code, as the

place is subordinated to the prison board, which directs the general poltcy of the institution and administers its business affairs. Under the new system the warden will have little to do beyond looking

after the discipline of the inmates. He will have nothing to do with the selection of officers or with the business of the prison, except to carry out the orders of the board.

To Probe State Contracts.

Mildly sensational developments are expected to follow an exhaustive investigation of the sale of cement to the state penitentiary during the period embraced in the years of 1915-16. The evidence taken by the prison board has been turned over to the attorney general's office as a basis for a suit to recover \$10,000 and \$20,000 ered and for empty sacks.

For more than a month the prison board, assisted by a representative from the state's legal department, has conducted its formal inquiry, and the evidence is said to show that a Jefferson City lumber dealer has charged California September 15, and will repthe state for cement which was used resent Missouri at the historical pato fill private contracts around the geant to be given at the fair in Secapital city, aggregating thousands of dalia Monday night, September 24. sacks of cement for which the state bully two thousand people will take paid 50 cents per sack.

After a careful analysis of the testimony submitted by the contractors ncerning the amount of their cement purchases from the company in tral committee on food conservation, the period mentioned, and of the car or the United States food survey, have shipments and weights furnished, the members of the prison board expressed the opinion that there was ample grounds to support a suit for recovery.

To Fort Sill Sept. 24.

There will be no movement of national guard soldiers from Missouri and Kansas to Camp Doniphan until after Sept. 24, it was officially announced. This is a result of war department orders for the movement of regular troops to various training

camps during the week of Sept. 17-24. The movement of guard soldiers during this period would cause congested traffic, officers say.

Uniforms Arrive.

Uniforms were issued to the six truck companies of the Missouri supply train at Camp Doniphan. These men have been without uniforms. Four of the companies are from St. Louis and there is one each from Springfield and St. Joseph.

Pay Day for Soldiers.

One of the Missouri regiments now in camp at Nevada, Mo., was paid last Saturday for its services for the 27 days since it had been in the barracva according to an announcement made from brigade headquarters. The only reason the others were not paid was because the local banks did not carry enough ready cash to furnish funds for the accommodation of Uncle Sam. It is estimated that about \$300,000 is required to pay off, while the local institutions carry only about \$40,000

Quotas to Move Sept. 19.

In a supplementary order wired to Adjt. Gen. James H. McCord, Provost Marshal-General Crowder directs that the movement for the next 40 per cent of the men drafted in Missouri for the national army begin Sept. 19. Five per cent will be in transit each day until the full quota is at Camp Fun-

Only white men will be handled in this movement. What disposition will be made of negroes Gen, Crowder has not yet explained.

Elks Elect Officers.

The state convention of the Order of Elks convened here and finished up their business for the present year and elected officers for the ensuing President, A. D. Risdon, Kirksville;

first vice-president, E. E. Wood, Webb City; second vice-president, Otto C. Bots, Sedalia; third vice-president, W. S. Bowers, Moberly; secretary, E. P. Major, Clinton; doorkeeper, E. T. Thomas, Columbia; sergeant-at-arms, James C. Bacon, Jefferson City; chaplain, C. C. Hilmers, Maryville.

HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

The Rev. C. J. Buck of Arlington, Minn., was arrested by Sheriff Talbott at Mayview and taken to Lexington. He is charged with a speech against the United States and favoring Germany in the war.

. . . Mystery surrounds the death of William W. Steely, 48 years old, of Ash Grove, whose body was discovered recently in Sinking creek, a half mile south of Everton. Steely had drowned in ten inches of water.

One hundred and fifty thousand dollars has been earned by self-supporting students of the Missouri university in the last eighteen years through the help of the Y. M. C. A. employment bureau.

On the eve of the sixty-sixth anniversary of the government land office in Springfield plans to abolish it are being made and within a few weeks the office will be closed. J. H. Bowen, for many years register, was not reappointed and G. A. Leavitt of the Washington land office has taken charge.

pany F, First Infantry, was taken to the state hospital for the insane at Nevada, violently deranged. The man had shown no symptoms of insanity previously, his companions say, but became unbalanced during the night. . . . A special election has been called

Private Archibald F. Reynolds, Com-

in St. Clair county for October 9 to pass upon the question of compromising the old railroad bond indebtedness. Judgments in the federal courts against the county total \$550,000.

Kirksville Normal school for several years and one of the best known educators in Missouri, died recently at Kirksville of heart disease. Amelia Hilton, 3 years old, was fa-

Professor A. P. Steele, dean of the

tally burned at Crane the other day while playing with a box of matches. The quarantine on the medical detachment of the Fourth Regiment from Louisiana, Mo., placed with the discovery of what was believed by physicians to be a case of spinal men-

ingitis in the camp, was lifted after a consultation of the medical staff of the camp. The case proved under microscopical examination to be not meningitis, only a reaction from antityphoid serum, which had been injected in the afflicted man two days bealleged to be due the state under the fore. The symptoms of meningitis cement contract for cement undelly- and the anti-typhoid reaction, it was said, are nearly identical.

> Secretary Bylander of the Missouri State Fair has been advised that Mrs. Fred D. Gardner, wife of the governor of Missouri, will leave the state of part in the pageant.

Men who fraudulently pretended to obtained considerable quantities of Louis housewives. canned food and preserves from St.

One of the largest single apple deals ever consummated in the Ozark fruit region was closed when M. W. Caldwell, a broker of Topeka, Kas., purchased 25,000 barrels of applies in orchids between Springfield and Aurora, paying an average price of \$4 per bar-

R. M. Knight, 53 years old secretary of the joint protective board of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America, of the Frisco system, died suddenly in a hotel at Springfield recently. His home was at Sapulpa, Ok.

It cost John Bilyen, youthful feudist, \$300 to shoot Guy Hilton, July 13. A jury in Christian County recently found Bilyeu guilty of the charge of felonious assault. John D. Dirck, retired Pettis County

farmer who was born in Ohio seventy-

five years ago, is dead of paralysis. near Sedalia. . . . The first twelve soldlers from Saline county were given a reception by citizens of Marshall on the eve of their departure for Camp Funston. The

Mrs. Virginia Best, 78 years old, widow of the late Dr. John Best, Northeast Missouri pioneer physician, is dead at the home of her son, John

That the Ham's Prairie coal field. south of Fulton, said to be underlaid with one of the finest veins of coal in the state, is soon to be developed by a syndicate, is a report based on the activities of W. E. Ringle of Pitts burg, Kas., and J. P. Meredith of Joplin, who already have secured a number of leases and are still at work.

Adam Orth, 28 years old, dropped dead on the dancing platform at the Labor Day picnic, at Lexington, while. dancing. He has a wife and family in Kansas or Colorado.

A case of spinal meningitis has appeared in the camp of the Missouri troops at Nevada, according to an announcement given out at bridge headquarters. The patient, whose name is withheid, is a member of the medical detachment of the Fourth Infantry from Louisiana.

Capt. William Smoot, 97 years old. is dead at Pleasant Hill. A native of Virginia, he came to Missouri as a young man and was a river captain for many years, running chiefly on the-

ministers' alliance presented each boy with a Bible. Best, Jr., at High Hill.